

Fallston Community Council Meeting Notes May 28, 2013

Attendees: Andy Amasia, Ken Hornbeck, Don McCreesh, Mandy Trouyet, Morita Bruce

Guests (and organization represented): Andrew Tress (representing County Council president Boniface), Jessica Williams (for Dave Williams), Katie Rossman (Pleasant Hills Community), Michelle Adams (Fallston Residents Unite), Hafiz Rashid (The Aegis), Michael Mooney

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by Andy Amasia. Minutes of the March 2013 meeting were not reviewed due to lack of a quorum.

Sheriff's Report: Sargent Richard Miller (millerr@harfordsheriff.org) reviewed area crime statistics. Burglaries are primarily during the daytime, with entry being made through the front door as well as windows and back doors. Door-to-door sales by small groups have started; legitimate sales people must display a photo ID and have a vendors license. Contact the Sheriff's Office if anything seems amiss or improper.

Hamilton Reserve: SHA is reviewing the area's traffic study.

Youths Benefit ES: YBES had a \$10 million commitment from Maryland that was awaiting matching funds from Harford. However, the County Executive's budget removed YBES' capital funding. A proposed \$1 million for the planning phase (only) is being voted on tonight.

Columbia Gas Line: Another public meeting was held with federal officials at Fallston HS.

Aumar Village neighboring property (Agricultural-zoned): Andrew Tess noted that Bill 13-29, Zoning Field Houses, has been submitted for public comment. Mr. Euler, owner of Aumar Village and the agricultural property adjacent to it, requested the bill. If approved, the bill will expand the Zoning Code to enable private sports fields to be built via Special Exceptions on lands zoned for for agriculture or residences.

The following points were discussed about Bill 13-29:

- The change will apply to all properties zoned agricultural or residential because the Zoning Code applies to the whole County.
- Building sizes are unlimited.
- Neither this bill nor the Zoning Code limit impervious surface on agricultural land, so there is no limit to the amount of land that could be paved or built on.
- The Zoning Code includes many undefined terms that need clarification. For example, how does a "field house" differ from a "health club" or "commercial recreation facility"?

Lighting: Andy Amasia and Morita Bruce briefly discussed the Friends of Harford's public meeting they attended at HCC regarding light and light trespass issues. FCC will consider supporting future legislation that provides measurable, enforceable limits on light since this problem has been regularly raised at FCC meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by Morita Bruce